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SUBJECT:PERES ON GENEVA CONFERENCE

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1. WE WOULD LIKE YOUR ASSESSMENT OF PRIMARY REASON BEHIND FAVORABLE ATTITUDE THAT DEFENSE MINISTER PERES HAS TAKEN TOWARD POSSIBLE RECONVENING OF GENEVA MIDDLE EAST PEACE CONFERENCE. THIS SHOULD BE STRICTLY IN-HOUSE EXERCISE.

2. WE DETECT FIVE SCHOOLS OF THOUGHT IN ISRAEL, WHICH ARE NOT MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE, AMONG ADVOCATES OF RECONVENING GENEVA. (A) TO GAIN TIME FOR ISRAEL, ON HYPOTHESIS THAT GENEVA TALKS COULD BE PROTRACTED AS VIETNAM TALKS WERE (VIZ PERES COMMENT TO THIS EFFECT NOTED IN REFTEL) AND NEED NOT QUICKLY MOVE TO SUCCESS OR FAILURE. THIS SCHOOL WOULD INCLUDE THOSE WHO FEEL ISRAEL'S PRESENT GOAL MUST BE TO KEEP LID ON SITUATION UNTIL 1976, BY WHICH TIME US WILL MOVE INTO ELECTION YEAR AND ALSO IDF WILL BE IN EXCELLENT SHAPE. (B) TO PUT PRESSURE ON USG TO TAKE SERIOUSLY ISRAEL'S WANTS AND DESIRES IN STEP-BY-STEP NEGOTIATING CONTEXT BY SHOWING THAT ISRAEL IS NOT NECESSARILY WEDDED TO STEP-BY-STEP APPROACH AS ONLY METHOD. (C) TO EXPOSE TRUE ARAB ATTITUDE

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TOWARD ISRAEL'S RIGHT TO EXIST AND THUS SWITCH ONUS TO ARABS

FOR ABSENCE OF PEACE IN MIDDLE EAST, BY GOING TO CORE  
MIDDLE EAST ISSUES AT GENEVA AND UNDOING RATHER SUCCESSFUL

ARAB CAMPAIGN SINCE OCTOBER WAR TO CONVINCE WORLD ARABS  
ARE READY FOR PEACE BUT ISRAEL'S UNWILLINGNESS TO  
SURRENDER OCCUPIED TERRITORY IS PREVENTING PROGRESS.  
THIS SCHOOL WOULD INCLUDE THOSE OPEN AND COVERT ISRAELI  
DOVES WHO WONDER IF PERHAPS ARABS HAVE INDEED CHANGED  
THEIR ATTITUDE TOWARD ISRAEL'S EXISTENCE IN WAKE OF  
OCTOBER WAR AND WHO WANT TO LEARN ANSWER THROUGH GENEVA.

(D) TO BRING USSR FACTOR INTO PLAY, SO THAT MOSCOW IS  
FORCED EITHER TO TAKE NEUTRAL STAND ON ME ISSUES, THERE-  
BY FACILITATING PROGRESS, OR TO ASSUME HARDLINING EX-  
TREME PRO-ARAB POSTURE, THUS HELPING ISRAEL GAIN MORE  
SUPPORT WITH AMERICAN PUBLIC AND CONGRESS. (E) TO SAVE  
ISRAEL'S ONLY AVAILABLE MEATY CONCESSION--SURRENDER OF  
SINAI PASSES AND ABU RODEIS--FOR WHERE IT WILL BE MOST  
NEEDED: AT INEVITABLE RECONVENING OF GENEVA. THIS  
SCHOOL WOULD INCLUDE THOSE WHO CANNOT CONCEIVE OF FURTHER  
ISRAELI CONCESSION ON GOLAN AND WHO ARE CONVINCED US WILL  
IN ANY CASE COMPEL ISRAEL TO GO TO GENEVA RIGHT AFTER ANY  
SECOND STAGE SINAI AGREEMENT, PERSUMABLY TO DISCUSS  
SECOND STAGE GOLAN ARRANGEMENT, AND WHO WOULD THEREFORE  
PREFER TO MAKE NEW SINAI AGREEMENT THE ACCOMPLISHMENT  
TO BE ACHIEVED AT GENEVA.

3. SINCE EBAN HAS NOW COME OUT IN FAVOR OF EARLY RECON-  
VENING OF GENEVA, AND IN LIGHT OF HIS CAST OF MIND IN THE  
PAST, WE WOULD BE INCLINED TO PLACE HIM IN SCHOOL (C).  
BUT SCHOOL (C) SEEMS LEAST LIKELY PLACE FOR PERES.  
ALTHOUGH THERE APPEAR TO BE FACTORS OF SEVERAL OTHER  
SCHOOLS IN PERES' THINKING, WE WOULD APPRECIATE KNOWING  
WHICH ONE YOU BELIEVE IS THE PRINCIPAL ONE FOR PERES. KISSINGER

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